

PARTNERS IN GOVERNANCE

PARENTAL CONTROL OF SCHOOLS

PUERTO RICAN EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION POSITION PAPER

COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARDS

ELECTION AND COMPOSITION

- **School district voting zones coterminous with intermediate school cluster**
- **Number of school board seats proportionate to size and student population of district**
- **Majority of board seats reserved for parent members**
- **Minority of board seats for at-large positions**
- **Two year term of office for board members**
- **School board elections in June**
- **No employees on school boards**
- **Direct machine balloting; no proportional representation**

COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARDS POWERS AND DUTIES

- Full LEA status for each community board**
- Direct submission and receipt of tax levy and reimbursable budgets**
- Decentralization of food services**
- Negotiation of appropriate sections of collective bargain agreements**
- Jurisdiction over high schools**
- City board members elected by school board members**
- City board in advisory capacity with oversight powers**
- Mandated five days training for school board members**

PERSONNEL LICENSING AND ASSIGNMENT

- **Elimination of the Board of Examiners**
- **State licensing to replace city licenses**
- **Five year renewable tenure for teachers**
- **Principals employed through five year contracts**
- **No inter-district transfers or excessing**

BUILDING AND PLANT MAINTENANCE

- **Community Boards fully responsible for operation, maintenance and repair of buildings**
- **All custodial employees, including custodial engineers to be employees of district**
- **Principal to be immediate supervisor of custodial engineers**
- **All maintenance monies included in district tax levy budget**
- **Direct submission by district of capital requests**